

GAKUDA KJRANAM

expressed juice of Karavella, is soon converted into silver. Now hear me describe the method of converting a base metal into gold. A Palam weight of lead burnt in combination with a Palam weight of yellow Dhustura flower and twigs of Langalike is easily converted into pure gold. By burning Dhustura oil in a lamp, while seated in Samadhi Yoga, a Yogin can remain invisible even to the sky-Slaling divinities. A clay figure of a bull, moulded in the attitude of killing a frog, O Shankara, will commence to bellow as a living one, on being fumigated with the vapours of the aforesaid Dhustura oil. Mustard oil burned in a lamp tends to destroy fire-flies. Fire-flies and mustard oil burnt together in a lamp will produce a glaring light like a conflagration^ Burn down the powders of the corpse of a dead rat; plaster any part of the body with this burnt powder, and it will be found to be burnt in its turn, which may be alleviated with plasters or potions of pasted sandal wood. O Shiva, by personally applying a collyrium to the eyes of an infuriated elephant, a man is sure to win a victory in battle and turn out a valorous hero. By retaining the skin of a Dundubha snake in his mouth, a person can stay under water as comfortably as on land. By smearing his body with a compound of the teeih, bones and eyes of a crocodile pasted with the blood and fat of that animal, a person may comfortably stay under water. By smearing his body with a compound consisting of the eyes of a crocodile, the heart of a

tortoise and the bones of a rat pasted together with rat's lard and that of a porpoise, a man can stay under water as easily as in a chamber of his own house." Powders of iron taken with whey prove curative in jaundice. * Roots of Tanduliyakam and Gokshuram, pasted together and administered through the medium of milk, cure chlorosis and affections of the mouth. Jati roots or Kola roots, taken with whey, relieve indigestion. Kusba roots or Vakucni roots taken with Kanjikam relieve diseases of the teeth. Roots of Indra-Varuni taken with water exercise an antitoxic virtue; the roots of Surabhiki